## **RESOLUTION NO. 61-09**

## BY: BRIAN DAY, SEAN BRENNAN

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF "IRISH-AMERICAN MONTH," DESIGNATED AS THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2009, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, following the colonial migrations, the Untied States enjoyed the greatest influx of Irish during the 1840's as Ireland suffered the Great Famine. Hungry but hopeful, poor but perseverant, Irish-Americans seized the opportunity to work hard, enjoy success, and pursue the American dream; and,

WHEREAS, today, tens of millions of Irish-Americans can look back with pride on the legacy of their forbearers, Irish-Americans are integral to the rich fabric of the United States, and we are grateful for their service and contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby supports "Irish-American Month," designated as the month of March, 2009, and hereby encourages all Americans to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to President Barack Obama, State Senators Sherrod Brown and George Voinovich, and Congressman Dennis Kucinich.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary as this celebration is this month, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

| PASSED:                  |                            |
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|                          | PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL       |
| ATTEST:                  | APPROVED:                  |
| CLERK OF COUNCIL         |                            |
| FILED WITH<br>THE MAYOR: |                            |
|                          | MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO |